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In re Application of:

James N. Bohanan et al. : Group Art Unit: 3728  
Serial No.: 10/763,001 : Examiner: Bui, L.K.  
Filed: January 22, 2004  
Title: ODOR-ELIMINATING CAMOUFLAGED  
RECLOSABLE STORAGE BAG

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION OF INVENTION  
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS**

Sir:

In the Office Action dated April 14, 2006 in the above-referenced patent application, the Examiner has required restriction to one of two inventions pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner has distinguished the following inventions: claims 1-19 and 29 (Group I) drawn to products such as a bag; and claims 20-28 (Group II) drawn to a method of manufacture.

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute claims 1-19 and 29 of Group I.

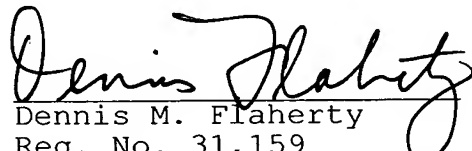
The Examiner has also distinguished the following species of the claimed invention: Group A) the species of a bag as shown in Figures 1-3; and Group B) the species of a bag as shown in Figure 4.

In response to the foregoing election of species requirement, the Applicants elect Species A shown in Figures 1-

3. The Applicants believe that elected claims 1-5, 8-13, 15-19, and 29 are generic and read on the elected species. Claims 7 and 15 read on the elected species only.

Respectfully submitted,


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